



NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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NORTH DAKOTA

Nothing Significant to Report

REGIONAL

(Minnesota) Fire rips through building at Bemidji college campus. Crews responded to a fire at the Oak Hills Christian College in Bemidji September 25 that destroyed 50 percent of a Camp Oak Hills building on campus. Authorities are investigating the cause of the fire. Source: http://www.wdio.com/article/stories/s3172225.shtml

NATIONAL

Nothing Significant to Report

INTERNATIONAL

Navy calls off search for 2 missing crew members in Red Sea helicopter crash. The U.S. Navy called off a search September 23 for 2 missing crew members after a MH-60S Knighthawk helicopter crashed into the Red Sea while trying to land September 22. Authorities are still investigating the crash but believe it unlikely the missing crew members survived. Source: http://www.foxnews.com/us/2013/09/23/navy-helicopter-crashes-in-red-sea-5-onboard/

BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

(Missouri) Aluminum foils security, shields credit-card crooks from detection. Police in Kansas City reported that since the weekend of September 21 thieves have three times used aluminum foil to cover satellite antennae at local businesses to prevent their credit card fraud from being detected. Source: http://www.kansascity.com/2013/09/23/4503405/credit-card-crooks-use-simple.html

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

(Utah) Man accused of plot to shoot up Salt Lake mall. A Utah man accused of plotting a deadly attack at the City Creek shopping center in Salt Lake City September 25 was arrested September 23. Authorities said that the suspect told investigators he planned to "randomly shoot and kill people." Source: http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/man-accused-of-plot-to-shoot-up-salt-lake-mall

COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

Nine automobile parts manufacturers and two executives agree to plead guilty to fixing prices on automobile parts sold to U.S. car manufacturers and installed in U.S. cars. Nine companies based in Japan and two executives agreed September 26 to plead guilty and pay more than \$740 million for their roles in separate schemes to fix prices on more than 30 automotive products sold to U.S. car manufacturers. The price fixing affected more than \$5 billion in automotive parts sold to U.S. manufacturers. Source: <a href="http://www.fbi.gov/news/pressrel/press-releases/nine-automobile-parts-manufacturers-and-two-executives-agree-to-plead-guilty-to-fixing-prices-on-automobile-parts-sold-to-u.s.-car-manufacturers-and-installed-in-u.s.-cars

Toyota recalls 615,000 Sienna minivans to fix roll-away problem. Toyota announced September 26 that it will recall 615,000 model year 2004-2005 and 2007-2009 Sienna vehicles due to an issue with the shift lever assembly that could allow the vehicle to move out of park without the driver depressing the brake pedal. Source:

http://www.latimes.com/business/autos/la-fi-hy-toyota-sienna-recall-20130926,0,6159346.story

Recall alert: 2006-2010 Infiniti M. Nissan announced a recall of about 98,300 model year 2006-2010 Infiniti M sedan vehicles due to an issue with the accelerator pedal assembly and engine control module that could lead to the vehicle going into a fail-safe mode or cause the engine to stop running. Source: http://blogs.cars.com/kickingtires/2013/09/recall-alert-2006-2010-infiniti-m.html

DEFENSE / INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

EMERGENCY SERVICES

US: ATF misplaced 420 million cigarettes in stings. The U.S. Department of Justice's inspector general announced September 25 that agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives acted without authorization and conducted several undercover investigations of illegal tobacco sales, lost track of at least 420 million cigarettes, and misused some of the \$162 million in profits from the investigations. The inspector general recommended stricter guidelines for documenting, tracking, and reviewing proceeds from the bureau's undercover tobacco stings. Source: http://news.yahoo.com/us-atf-misplaced-420-million-cigarettes-stings-151426820--politics.html

ENERGY

EPA won't require carbon capture at existing coal plants. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced existing coal-fired power plants will not be required to install equipment to capture and store the carbon dioxide they emit under the agency's new rules. The EPA proposed new coal-burning plants use expensive capture technology, called CCS. Source: http://www.businessweek.com/news/2013-09-23/epa-chief-says-current-coal-plants-won-t-need-carbon-capture-1

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Garden Fresh Foods, Inc. expanded recalls on specific packages of products because of possible health risk. A voluntary recall on various ready-to-eat salads, slaw, and dip products sold under various brands and code dates was expanded by Garden Fresh Foods because the products may be contaminated with Listeria monocytogenes. Source: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm369670.htm

GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

(Oklahoma) Okla. teen found guilty in school shooting plot. A student was convicted for attempting to recruit classmates for a mass shooting and bomb attack at his Oklahoma school after a police officer found threatening notes in the student's pockets and an investigation uncovered his attempt at obtaining a map of the school and using a school computer to search for a rifle. Source: http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/okla-teen-found-guilty-in-school-shooting-plot

(Virginia) Virginia Tech breach exposes data on 145K job applicants. Virginia Tech announced September 24 that human error caused a data breach that may have exposed personal data of 145,000 individuals who applied online for jobs at the school over the past 10 years. School officials became aware of the breach August 28 and determined the server was placed in service without proper cyber protection, thus allowing illegal access to the data. Source: http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/092413-virginia-tech-breach-exposes-data-274154.html

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

New malware Napolar steals information, launches DDoS attacks. Researchers from Avast and ESET analyzed a new piece of malware dubbed Napolar, whose author is Solarbot, that is capable of stealing information and launching distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks. The malware is being sold for \$200 and is being distributed to targets through Facebook. Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/New-Malware-Napolar-Steals-Information-Launches-DDOS-Attacks-386317.shtml

Icefog cybercriminals launch hit and run attacks against high-profile organizations. Kaspersky released a report on an advanced persistent threat (APT) cyberespionage campaign dubbed Icefog that has been targeting a variety of organizations since 2011. The campaign targets military contractors, telecoms, maritime and shipbuilding organizations, satellite operators, media, governments, and high-tech companies mainly in Japan and South Korea but with some targets in the U.S. and several European and Asian countries. Source: <a href="http://news.softpedia.com/news/Icefog-Cybercriminals-Launch-Hit-and-Run-Attacks-Against-Hit-Against-Hit-Again

http://news.softpedia.com/news/Icefog-Cybercriminals-Launch-Hit-and-Run-Attacks-Against-High-Profile-Organizations-386293.shtml

Phone numbers harvested from Craigslist used in SMS scam. Symantec researchers identified a scam campaign targeting individuals who have posted ads on Craigslist that appears to be using automated harvesting tools to collect phone numbers in posts and then send SMS messages to the numbers which attempt to get targets to access a link on their PC. The link then takes the user to a fake version of GIMP that installs several additional pieces of software used by scammers to generate money via affiliate programs. Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Phone-Numbers-Harvested-from-Craigslist-Used-in-SMS-Scam-385869.shtml

BLYPT backdoor malware targets U.S. users via Java exploit. Trend Micro researchers identified a new family of backdoor malware dubbed BLYPT targeting regular Internet users in the U.S. via drive-by downloads and hijacked Web sites. The malware utilizes a Java vulnerability that was patched in March. Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/BLYPT-Backdoor-Malware-Targets-US-Users-via-Java-Exploit-385378.shtml

NATIONAL MONUMENTS AND ICONS

Nothing Significant to Report

POSTAL AND SHIPPING

Nothing Significant to Report

PUBLIC HEALTH

CDC: Hepatitis A outbreak now at 162 cases in 10 States. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued an update September 23 reporting that the number of Hepatitis A cases associated with Townsend Farms Organic Antioxidant Blend totals 162, with 71 people having been hospitalized. Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/09/cdc-hepatitis-a-outbreak-now-at-162-cases-in-10-states/

TRANSPORTATION

(Louisiana) Bomb threat forces plane to make emergency landing in Louisiana. An American Eagle plane landed at Monroe Regional Airport after a note about a bomb threat was found.

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The airport shut down and air traffic was diverted, however no devices were discovered during the investigation. Source: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/09/25/ap-us-airliner-bomb-threat n 3987623.html

WATER AND DAMS

Nothing Significant to Report

HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center: 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: ndslic@nd.gov; Fax: 701-328-8175 State Radio: 800-472-2121; Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI): 701-328-5500; North Dakota Highway Patrol: 701-328-2455; US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst: 701-297-7400; Bismarck FBI: 701-223-4875; Fargo FBI: 701-232-7241.

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